

District Judge Tana Lin

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

JOHN DOE,

Plaintiff,

v.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF
HOMELAND SECURITY, *et al.*,

Defendants.

Case No. 2:24-cv-01712-TL

STIPULATED MOTION TO HOLD
CASE IN ABEYANCE AND
~~PROPOSED~~ ORDER

Noted for Consideration:
August 21, 2025

For good cause, Plaintiff and Defendants, by and through their counsel of record, pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 6 and Local Rules 7(d)(1), 10(g) and 16, hereby jointly stipulate and move to continue stay these proceedings until September 8, 2025. Plaintiff brought this litigation pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act and Mandamus Act seeking, *inter alia*, to compel U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (“USCIS”) to schedule an interview and adjudicate his asylum application. This case is currently stayed through August 25, 2025. The parties are currently working towards a resolution to this litigation.

Courts have “broad discretion” to stay proceedings. *Clinton v. Jones*, 520 U.S. 681, 706 (1997). “[T]he power to stay proceedings is incidental to the power inherent in every court to control the disposition of the causes on its docket with economy of time and effort for itself, for

counsel, and for litigants.” *Landis v. N. Am. Co.*, 299 U.S. 248, 254 (1936); *see also* Fed. R. Civ. P. 1.

With additional time, this case should be resolved without the need of further judicial intervention. USCIS is actively working to adjudicate Plaintiff’s application. However, USCIS needs additional time to do so. USCIS believes that this can be completed on or before September 8, 2025.

Accordingly, the parties request that this case remain stayed through September 8, 2025. The parties will either submit a joint status report before that date or seek dismissal of this litigation.

DATED this 21st day of August, 2025.

Respectfully submitted,

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11 **~~PROPOSED~~ ORDER**

12 The case is held in abeyance until September 8, 2025. The parties shall either submit a
13 status update or seek dismissal of this litigation on or before September 8, 2025. It is so
14 **ORDERED.**

15 DATED this 22nd day of August, 2025.

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18 United States District Judge
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